10/524609 D5 Rec'd PCT/PTO 14 FEB 2005

Att'y Dkt. No. MCA-614 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Joseph E. Gabriels, et al.

U.S. National Application of International Application No.: PCT/US2003/026557, filed on August 25, 2003,

which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.: 60/406,654, filed on August 28, 2002.

Filed:

Herewith

Examiner: To be determined.

Art Unit: To be determined.

For:

COMPOSITIONS OF SOLUTION FOR SEQUENCING REACTION CLEAN-UP

Billerica, Massachusetts 01821

February 14, 2005

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

This information disclosure statement is being submitted, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), on the date of entry of the national stage application in an international application.

The references cited on the attached FORM PTO-1449 consist of a International Search Report (Annex to Form PCT/ISA/210 dated December 16, 2003) and all non-duplicative references cited therein. A copy of each cited reference is enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and (e), applicant, through the undersigned registered patent attorney, hereby certifies that the items of information contained in this information disclosure statement were cited in a communication (i.e., said International Search Report) from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application (i.e., PCT/US2003/026557).

A concise explanation of relevance under 37 C.F.R § 1.98(a)(3) is not required.

Respectfully submitted,

Renato M. de Luna Registration No. 36,780

MILLIPORE CORPORATION

290 Concord Road

Billerica, Massachusetts 01821

Phone: (978) 715-1086

RMD/smg Attachment: FORM PTO-1449 Copies of Cited Art References

PTO/SB/08A (08-03) Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

| | estitute for form 1449/PTO | Complete if Known | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Sui | Stitute for form 1443/F TO | Application Number | | | |
| | IFORMATION DICCLOSURE | Filing Date | | | |
| | NFORMATION DISCLOSURE | First Named Inventor | Joseph E. Gabriels, Jr. | | |
| S | TATEMENT BY APPLICANT | Art Unit | | | |
| | (Use as many sheets as necessary) | Examiner Name | | | |
| Sheet | 1 of 2 | Attorney Docket Number | MCA-614 US | | |

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No.1 | Document Number | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where | |
|-----------------------|--------------|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| | | Number-Kind Code ^{2 (f known)} | MM-DD-YYYY | Applicant of Cited Document | Refevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | |
| | AA | US- 5,292,869 A | 03-08-1994 | Anthony B. Schryvers | | |
| | AB | US- 2002/0098192 | 07-25-2002 | Lee Lihsyng Standford, et al. | | |
| | AC | US- 6,288,123 B1 | 09-11-2001 | Katragadda Subarao, et al. | | |
| - | AD | ^{US-} 6,165,770 A | 12-26-2000 | Carsten Sjoholm et al. | | |
| - | AE | US- 6,114,388 A | 09-05-2000 | Michel Geffard . | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |
| | <u> </u> | US- | | | | |
| | | US- | | | | |

| | | FORE | IGN PATENT DOC | JMENTS | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|--|---|----------------|
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No.1 | Foreign Patent Document | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages | |
| | | Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known) | MM-DD-YYYY | | Or Relevant Figures Appear | T ⁶ |
| | ВА | WO 99/22021 A | 05-06-1999 | Bastian Helg et al. | | |
| | ВВ | WO 02/44414 A | 06-06-2002 | Promega Corp. | | |
| | ВС | WO 01/09389 A | 02-08-2001 | Molecular Dynamics, Inc. | | |
| • | BD | WO 86/04583 A | 08-14-1986 | Upjohn Co. | | |
| | BE | WO 01/19482 A | 03-22-2001 | Millipore Corp. | | |
| | BF | WO 03/058196 A | 07-17-2003 | Bioarray Solutions, LTD | | |

| Examiner | Date | |
|------------|------------|--|
| Signature | Considered | |
| Olgitatare | | |

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

10/524609 lec'd PCT/PTO 1 4 FEB 2005.

PTO/SB/08B (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB coated sure.

| | te for form 1449/PTO | | | Complete if Known | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----|------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Substitu | 10 101 101111 1449/-10 | | | Application Number | | |
| INF | ORMATION | DIS | CLOSURE | Filing Date | | |
| STATEMENT BY APPLICANT | | | | First Named Inventor | Joseph E. Gabriels, Jr. | |
| | | | | Art Unit | | |
| (Use as many sheets as necessary) | | | iecessary) | Examiner Name | | |
| Sheet | 2 | of | 2 | Attorney Docket Number | MCA-614 US | |

| <u> </u> | 0:1- | NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS | T |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|----------------|
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. ¹ | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | T ² |
| | CA | Vogelstein, B., et al. "Preparataive and Analytical Purfication of DNA From Agarose" Proc. of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA, Vol. 76, No. 2, (February 1, 1979) pp. 615-619. | |
| | СВ | International Search Report dated December 16, 2003. | |
| | · | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| <u> </u> | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

| Examiner | Date | |
|-----------|------------|--|
| Signature | Considered | |

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.